



Newsletter

September 2011

Swimming lessons are over, football season has begun, and Halloween and Thanksgiving are just around the corner. Fall is nearly here and stitching projects abound. We have a wonderful selection of canvases and threads to get you in the seasonal mood. New stocking cuffs and stocking canvases from Strictly Christmas are here, while canvases from our summer market are still arriving. Belts, stocking cuffs, and ornaments can still be stitched before the Christmas holidays and make our finishers deadlines - but only if you start now!

**Finishing Deadlines:**

Spinning Wheel - October 1  
Funda - October 15  
Christine - November 1  
Stitch & Stuff - November 1  
Belts - December 1

We hope you will come by to see what's new!

Paula & Karen

**KELLY CLARK THIS WEEKEND!**

Notable canvas designer and needle artist Kelly Clark will be at The French Knot this weekend. She will be teaching a 2-day class on 'Elvira Spida' on Saturday and Sunday. This adorable witch features stump work fingers, a raffia broom with a wooden broomstick, and other fabulous stitches and techniques. **We still have a few openings for this class.** Class size is limited to 10 students, so sign up now! Check our website for more information as it becomes available. We have a photo of the project on our website. Click [here](#) to view Elvira Spida.

**KELLY CLARK VIRTUAL TRUNK SHOW**

In conjunction with our Kelly Clark class, take 20% off of any canvas ordered now through November 1! Click [here](#) to visit Kelly's website to select your favorite - or favorites!

**WHIMSY & GRACE TRUNK SHOW**

We have a Whimsy & Grace trunk show in the shop for the month of September. They have beautiful ornaments and tree toppers in the shape of stars that are embellished with crystals. So elegant!

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## 2011 & 2012 SERIES

### Melissa Shirley Acorns

Melissa has a new series of eight acorns that we purchased at the June market. Paula has finished stitching most of them and is feverishly working on the last 2. These are so beautiful and we know you will love them like we do! We will begin this series in March, so call now to put your name on the list! Click [here](#) to see all of our current series.

### Longhorn Pudgie by Patti Mann



We are so excited that Patti Mann's newest pudgie is available only at The French Knot! This Texas longhorn has 5 sections, each with it's own theme.

Stitch an oil well, bluebonnets, mockingbirds, a cowboy boot, cotton bolls, and our state flag in the shape of Texas! This series will begin in January 2012 with one section per month for 5 months. Also available with all five sections painted on one canvas. Prices are on the website.

Click [here](#) to see more photos!

### New Ornaments of the Month

We have two new ornaments of the month. The first is a nutcracker with plum pudding by Rebecca Wood, and the other is a Bethlehem scene by Shelly Tribbey.

Your kit includes canvas, stitch guide, cut threads, and a color photo. Click [here](#) to see them!

### Holiday Train by Little Shoppe Canvas Company

All Aboard the Polar Express! We love this delightful 3-car train and you will too! Beginning now, you will receive one canvas per month for 3 months. Prices are now listed on our website. This is now exclusive to The French Knot!

### Nativity Series by Winnetka

We love nativity series and our customers do too! Traditional Christmas carols come to life in these elegant ornaments, from Angels singing 'Alleluia' to a depiction of wisemen singing 'We Three Kings'. These five ornaments are embellished with crystals in the star of Bethlehem. Donna did a beautiful job on these ornaments! Call now to sign up. This series began in September.

### Kelly Clark Pears and Tassels

We have enjoyed the Kelly Clark pear series and we still have some available for sale. Come by the shop to see our stitched models because the photos don't do them justice. We also have photos on our website under "Current Series".

This summer Kelly is kicking off a new series of tassels. We will be participating in this series as well. Click [here](#) to visit Kelly's website to see both the pears and tassels.

### Halloween Tree by A Collection of Designs

We are getting closer to having this ready for stitching! Photos coming soon!

### Petei Santas

We are delighted to announce that Petei is creating some new Santa designs and they will be exclusive to The French Knot! We will also be picking some of the most popular Santas and re-kitting them for 2012. Stay tuned for more details as they become available.